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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION  
UNDER RULE 1.53(d)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Attn: Box CPA

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continued prosecution application under 37 CFR §1.53(d) of prior application Serial No. 08/890,902, filed on 14 July 1997, entitled MICROPOROUS INKJET RECEPTEORS CONTAINING BOTH A PIGMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM & A FLUID MANAGEMENT SYSTEM by the following inventor(s):

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The above-identified prior application in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

1.  Enter the amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 CFR §1.116 but unentered, in the prior application.
2.  Please cancel claims \_\_\_\_\_.
3.  A preliminary amendment is enclosed (the filing fee calculation includes any new claims).
4.  The filing fee is calculated below:

| CLAIMS AS FILED                    |              |             |                    |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------|
| NUMBER FILED                       | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE        | BASIC FEE<br>\$690 |
| Total Claims 16-20 =               | 0            | \$18        | \$0                |
| Independent Claims 4-3 =           | 1            | \$78        | \$78               |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENTED |              | \$260/\$130 | \$0                |
|                                    |              |             | FILING FEE: \$768  |

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5.  A Verified Statement that this filing is by a small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28) is:
  - already filed in the parent application.
  - attached.
6.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees as set forth in 37 CFR §1.16 to 1.18 which may be required such as an extension of time in the parent application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4895.
7.  A check in the amount of \$ 768 is enclosed.
8.  Priority of foreign application Serial No.   , filed on    in (country)    is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
9.  This application is being filed by less than all of the inventors named in the prior application. Please delete the names of the following inventor(s) who are not inventors of the invention claimed in the present application:
10.  The prior application is assigned of record to Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company.
11.  The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to:

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12.  A petition, fee, and response is filed concurrently herewith to extend the term in the pending prior application until 8 March 2000.

March 8, 2000

Date

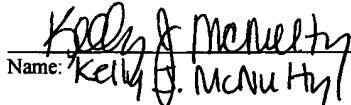


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